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OF THE

TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

OF THE

PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

IN THE

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

HELD IN

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON,

On Wednesday May 5, Thursday May 6, Friday May 7, Saturday May 8,
and Monday May 10,

1841.

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LIST OF CLERGY,

In the Diocese of North Carolina, entitled to Seats in the Convention.

Right Rev. L. S. IVES, D. D., Bishop, and Ex-Officio President of the Convention.

Rev. JOHN A. BACKHOUSE, Rector of Emmanuel Church, Warrenton.

Rev. JARVIS B. BUXTON, Rector of St. John's Church, Fayetteville.

Rev. JOSEPH B. CHESHIRE, Missionary, Bertie and Halifax Counties.

Rev. MOSES A. CURTIS, Rector of Calvary Church, Tarborough, &c.

Rev. THOS. F. DAVIS, Jr., Rector of St. Luke's Church, Salisbury, and Christ and St. Andrew's Churches, Rowan.

Rev. ROBERT B. DRANE, Rector of St. James's Church, Wilmington.

Rev. EDWARD M. FORBES, Missionary, Lincolnton and Morganton.

Rev. EDWIN GEER, Rector of Calvary Church, Wadesborough.

Rev. WM. M. GREEN, Professor in the University of North Carolina.

Rev. WM. N. HAWKS, Rector of Griffin School, Newbern.

Rev. SAMUEL I. JOHNSTON, Rector of St. Paul's Church, Edenton.

Rev. CAMERON F. McRAE, Rector of Christ Church, Newbern.

Rev. JACOB B. MORSS, Minister of Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

*Rev. T. S. W. MOTT, Rector of St. John's in the Wilderness, Henderson County.

*Rev. HENRY H. PROUT, St. Mary's Chapel, Orange County.

Rev. JOHN SINGELTARY, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Washington.

*Rev. HARVEY STANLY.

Rev. LEWIS TAYLOR, Rector of St. Stephen's Church, Oxford, and St. James's and St. John's, Granville.

Rev. WM. THURSTON, Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsboro'.

Clergy of the Diocese, but not Canonically entitled to Seats.

Rev. CHARLES ALDIS, Missionary, Washington County.

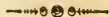
Rev. RICHARD S. MASON, D. D., Rector of Christ Church, Raleigh.

*Rev. JOHN MORGAN.

*Rev. JOHN M. ROBINSON.

*Rev. LOUIS S. NOBLE, Missionary, Hertford and Harvey's Neck.

Rev. CHARLES BRUCE WALKER.



LIST OF LAY DELEGATES.

*Hon. Duncan Cameron,

Dr. John Beckwith,

*Wm. H. Haywood, Jr.,

*Hon. Richard Hines,

} Christ Church, Raleigh.

- Dr. Armand J. DeRosset,*
Dr. James F. McRee,
Jeremiah Lippitt,
John L. London,
John W. Wright, } St. James's Church, Wilmington.
Dr. Thos. N. Cameron,
Edward W. Willkings, } St. John's Church, Fayetteville.
Edward J. Hale,
Moses W. Jarvis, } Christ Church, Newbern.
**Jacob Gooding,*
**George S. Almore,*
**James W. Bryan,* }
**Hon. Wm. B. Shepard,* } Christ Church, Elizabeth City.
**Samuel F. Proctor,*
**Dr. Jas. Norcom,*
**Dr. M. Page,* } St. Paul's Church, Edenton.
**George E. Barney,*
**Thos. G. Haughton, Esq.,*
**Dr. Nathaniel Hill,* }
Henry A. London, } St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough.
N. Hill, Jr.,
Dr. Frederick J. Hill,
**Dr. Walter G. Jones,* }
**Thos. S. Ashe,* } Calvary Church, Wadesborough.
**Elisha S. Hubbard,*
Wm. E. Troy,
George E. Spruill, }
**Daniel Turner,* } Emmanuel Church, Warrenton.
**Thomas White,*
**Henry L. Plummer,*
Wm. J. Laughinghouse, Trinity Church, Beaufort.
Dr. D. C. Freeman, }
James E. Hoyt, } St. Peter's Church, Washington.
**Thomas A. Demill,*
**Benj'n Runyon,* }
**Wm. Eaton,* } St. Stephen's Church, Oxford.
**John C. Taylor,*
**Russel Kingsbury,*
**Rhodes N. Herndon,*
Frederick S. Marshall, Trinity Church, Scotland Neck.
George W. Burgwyn, St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough.

* Those Clergymen and Laymen marked thus (*) were not present at this Convention.

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WILMINGTON, WEDNESDAY, MAY 5, 1841.

This being the day and place for the meeting of the 25th Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, the Right Rev. Bishop and attending Clergy and Lay Delegates assembled in St. James's Church.

Prayers were read by the Rt. Rev. Bishop.

The names of the Clergy entitled to seats were called, and the following were present and answered to their names, viz:

Rev. J. B. BUXTON,
Rev. J. B. CHESHIRE,
Rev. MOSES A. CURTIS,
Rev. THOMAS F. DAVIS, Jr.,
Rev. ROBERT B. DRANE,
Rev. EDWIN GEER,

Rev. WILLIAM M. GREEN,
Rev. JACOB B. MORSS,
Rev. JOHN SINGELTARY,
Rev. LEWIS TAYLOR,
Rev. WM. THURSTON.

The Certificates of Lay Delegation having been presented and read, the following persons appeared to have been elected Delegates, viz:

Christ Church, Raleigh.—Hon. Duncan Cameron, Dr. John Beckwith, Wm. H. Haywood, Jr., Hon. Richard Hines.

St. James's Church, Wilmington.—Dr. Armand J. DeRosset, Dr. James F. McRee, Jeremiah Lippitt, John L. London.

St. John's Church, Fayetteville.—John W. Wright, Dr. Thomas N. Cameron, Edward W. Willkings, Edward J. Hale.

Christ Church, Newbern.—Moses W. Jarvis, Jacob Gooding, George S. Atmore, James W. Bryan.

Christ Church, Elizabeth City.—Hon. Wm. B. Shepard, Samuel F. Proctor.

St. Paul's Church, Edenton.—Dr. Jas. Norcom, Dr. M. Page, Geo. E. Barney, Thomas G. Haughton.

St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough.—Dr. Nathaniel Hill, Henry A. London, N. Hill, Jr., Dr. Frederick J. Hill.

Calvary Church, Wadesborough.—Dr. Walter G. Jones, Thomas S. Ashe, Elisha S. Hubbard, Wm. E. Troy.

Emmanuel Church, Warrenton.—George E. Spruill, Daniel Turner, Thomas White, Henry L. Plummer.

Of these the following appeared and took their seats, viz:

Dr. John Beckwith, Dr. Armand J. DeRosset, Dr. Jas. F. McRee, Jeremiah Lippitt, John L. London, John W. Wright, Dr. Thomas N. Cameron, Edward W. Willkings, Edward J. Hale, Moses W. Jarvis, Henry A. London, Wm. E. Troy.

The Convention being duly organized, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Singeltary, proceeded to the election of a Secretary for the ensuing Conventional year, when, on counting the ballots, it appeared that Edward J. Hale was duly elected.

On motion, it was *Resolved*, That all Clergymen, not members of this Convention, and all candidates for Orders within the Diocese, who may be present during its sittings, be invited to take seats in the Convention.

Under this resolution, the Rev. Richard S. Mason, D. D., and the Rev. Charles Aldis, of this Diocese, the Rev. Dr. May, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and the Rev. Theodore B. Lyman, of the Diocese of Maryland; and Mr. Charles Bruce Walker, a Candidate for Orders, took seats.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees:

On the State of the Church.—The Rev. Messrs. Green, Davis, Curtis, Thurston and Taylor.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Singeltary, the Convention proceeded to elect, by ballot, the Standing Committee for the ensuing year, when the Rev. Messrs. Green, Buxton, and Mason, and Messrs. Charles Manly and Edmund B. Freeman, were duly elected.

On motion of Mr. Lippitt, a Committee was appointed by the Chair, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Singeltary and Buxton, and Mr. Lippitt, on the subject of the proceedings of the Standing Committee.

On motion of Dr. Cameron, the Convention had a recess for Morning Service.

Service was performed by the Rev. Dr. Mason, and Convention Sermon was preached by the Rev. Mr. Singeltary, from the 5th chapter of St. Paul's Episile to the Ephesians, part of the 25th verse.

The following Clerical and Lay Members of the Convention appeared and took their seats, viz: The Rev. Messrs. John A. Backhouse, Edward N. Forbes, Wm. N. Hawks, Samuel I. Johnston, and Cameron F. McRae; and George E. Spruill, a Delegate from Emmanuel Church, Warrenton, and N. Hill, Jr., a Delegate from St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough.

The President appointed the following Standing Committee, viz:

On Finance.—Messrs. Spruill, Troy, Jarvis, H. A. London, and Cameron.

On motion, the President was requested to appoint a Committee on the subject of the late Episcopal School. The following persons were appointed, viz: Rev. Messrs. Singeltary and Buxton; and Messrs. Lippitt, and Wright, and Dr. Beckwith.

The Rev. Mr. Singeltary, from the Committee on the subject of proceedings of the Standing Committee, reported the following Canon, which was adopted, viz:

It shall be the duty of the members of the Standing Committee to hold meetings for the transaction of business at every Convention of the Diocese; and this Canon is hereby declared to be due notice to each member of the same, to assemble at the time and place of the meeting of each Annual Convention.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Curtis, it was

Resolved, That a committee, to consist of three persons, be appointed by the President on the subject of the Diocesan Library, and that the Rt. Rev. Bishop of the Diocese be *ex officio* Chairman of the Committee.

The President appointed the Rev. Messrs. Curtis and Johnston, and Mr. J. L. London, to compose said Committee.

The Committee appointed at the last Convention, to report upon the subject of raising a fund for the relief of such necessitous Clergymen as may become disabled in this Diocese, and of the Widows and Children of such as may die, leaving their families in necessitous circumstances, was called on to report; when the Rev. Mr. Forbes, a member of the Committee, stated that the Rev. Chairman of the Committee was not present, and that he presumed that no report had been prepared.

Whereupon, on motion of the Rev. Mr. Green, a new Committee was raised on the subject, consisting of the Rev. Messrs. Buxton and Forbes, and Dr. DeRosset, Messrs. H. A. London, and Spruill; with instructions to report to-morrow morning.

Convention adjourned till 4 o'clock this afternoon.

At 4 o'clock, Convention met.

A Certificate of Lay Delegation from Trinity Church, Beaufort, was presented; and Mr. Wm. J. Laughinghouse, the Delegate named therein, appeared and took his seat.

The following Parochial Reports, which had been submitted to the Rt. Rev. Bishop, were read, and referred to the Committee on the State of the Church, viz:

CHRIST CHURCH, RALEIGH.

Rev. R. S. Mason, Rector.

Baptisms—Children,	2
Communicants—removed 1, added 4, present number,	64
Burials—Adults, 1 white, 1 colored,	2
Money received for Bishop's Salary and contingent expenses,	\$195

The collection for the Missionary Society has been begun, but, owing to peculiar circumstances, has not yet been completed.

The present Rector of this Parish commenced his parochial duties on Christmas day of the past year, and has continued to perform since then regular services. The favorable condition in which this Parish was left by its late Rector still continues, and such is the prospect of increase, that it is thought necessary either to enlarge the present building or to erect a new one.

R. S. MASON.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, FAYETTEVILLE.

Rev. Jarvis B. Buxton, Rector.

Baptisms—White, Adult 4, Infant 14,	18
Colored, Adult 1, Infant 6,	7
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Confirmations,	5
Communicants—added 12, present number,	126
Colored,	20
	<hr/> 146
Marriage,	1
Funerals,	3
Moneys collected—For Assessment,	\$210
For Missionary Committee,	308

The Rector's attention has recently been drawn to the younger portion of the free colored and slave population of his Parish. The former have been embodied and put under a judicious culture; the latter, in a distinct class, will receive oral instruction from the Rector. The Sunday School instruction is restricted to the children of the poor. Under its devoted Superintendent and Teachers, the School affords a fair illustration of the value of the Church to this interesting portion of the community.

JARVIS B. BUXTON.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, WILMINGTON.

Rev. Robert B. Drane, Rector.

Baptisms—Infants 20, Adult 1,	21
Communicants—added 8, died 4, removed 3,	
Present number,	185
Marriages,	6
Funerals,	20
Money collected—For Assessment,	\$210 00
Diocesan Missions,	144 77
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Parochial Charity,	181 75
Diocesan Missions,	
(special call,)	115 00
Jubilee College,	85 00
	<hr/> 381 75
	<hr/> \$736 52

The condition of this Parish is, on the whole, gratifying to the Rector. The number of Communicants stated above will be increased by at least 20 on Sunday next. They are omitted in the above statistics, because the Rector's report was called for in advance of the Communion day.—For the same reason the number to be confirmed, though unusually large, is also omitted. The Sunday School embraces about 100 children, together with 12 Teachers and a Superintendent.

The Ladies' Working Society, established more than 20 years ago, has never been more efficient than during the past year. Besides sustaining their Charity School for poor children, the sum of \$592 (the avails of their labours,) has been appropriated to the furnishing of the Church, and it is due to them to state, that to their exertions the Parish is indebted for much of the convenience and beauty which at present adorn the interior of our temple. In this connexion, the Rector would also mention the present of a Bell and Clock for the Tower of the Church—the liberal donation of a gentleman of the Parish, which proves a great convenience, not only to the congregation, but to the town at large.

We now look to Him, whose blessing has prospered the external arrangements of this Church, to shine into the hearts of our people—making them a spiritual temple acceptable in his sight.

R. B. DRANE.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH, HILLSBOROUGH.

Rev. H. H. Prout, late Rector.

Baptisms—Infants,	18
Confirmed,	8
Communicants—3 added, 1 removed by death,	
Present number,	58
Marriages,	2
Burials,	6

ST. MARY'S CHAPEL, ORANGE COUNTY.

Baptisms—1 Adult, 3 Infants,	4
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H. H. PROUT.

EMMANUEL CHURCH, WARRENTON.

Rev. J. A. Backhouse, Rector.

Baptisms—Adults, 3 White, 3 Colored,	6
Infants, 16 White, 9 Colored,	25
	— 31
Confirmations,	3
Communicants,	22
Marriage,	1
Burials,	3
Sunday School—Scholars, average number,	40
Teachers,	8
Moneys received—Assessments for the two last years,	\$72
Domestic Missions and Parochial	
Charities,	60

The Church in this place, after having languished for several years back in consequence of irregularity and interruption in the services of the

Sanctuary, has, I humbly trust, been much revived by the Spirit of the Lord. The Sunday School numbered sixty Scholars during the greater part of the last Summer, and now is attended by thirty, so that I may put down the average number as stated above. The ladies of this Congregation (to whose sex the Church every where owes so much,) have, during the year, formed a Working Society, whose works have been good, and we hope will be remembered in the day of the Lord.

At the suggestion of the Bishop, I officiated at Louisburg on the last Sunday of each month, from October to February, inclusive. Here I baptized four infants. The number of members here is small, but they are zealous for the prosperity of the Church and the purity of the faith. They have raised a subscription to the amount of nearly a thousand dollars for building a Church.

JOHN A. BACKHOUSE.

CHRIST CHURCH, NEWBERN.

Rev. Cameron F. McRae, Rector.

Baptisms—2 Adults, 24 Children,	26
Marriages,	5
Confirmations,	4
Burials,	23
Communicants,	122
Moneys collected—Assessment,	\$210 00
Missionary collection,	140 50
Parochial charity,	127 50
	C. F. McRAE.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

Rev. John Singeltary, Rector.

Communicants,	69
Baptisms—Adult 1, Infants 7,	8
Confirmations,	12
Burials,	4
Assessment,	\$60
Missionary Fund,	\$98
	J. SINGELTARY.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, PITTSBOROUGH.

Rev. Wm. Thurston, Rector.

Communicants,	25
Confirmed,	2
Baptisms—Adult 1, Infants 6,	7
Burials,	5
Marriage,	1

During the past year our little Church has suffered much by the removal of a number of her warmest and most devoted friends and Communicants; but we trust that God, in his good providence, will raise up others to fill their places around His holy altar.

WM. THURSTON.

ST. JAMES'S CHURCH, GRANVILLE.

Rev. Lewis Taylor, Rector.

Communicants—White 15, Colored 1,	16
Baptisms—White 1, Colored 1,	2
Confirmations,	3
Funeral,	1
Marriages,	2
Money collected for Episcopate,	\$10

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH, OXFORD.

Rev. Lewis Taylor, Rector.

Communicants,	17
Baptisms—White 2, Colored 1,	3
Funerals,	4
Money collected for Episcopate,	\$30

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WILLIAMSBOROUGH.

Rev. Lewis Taylor, Rector.

Communicants—White 10, Colored 1,	11
Baptisms,	2
Funerals,	2

LEWIS TAYLOR.

CALVARY CHURCH, WADESBOROUGH.

Rev. Edwin Geer, Minister.

Baptisms—Infants, White 6, Colored 1,	7
Communicants—removed 4, added 4,	
Present number,	32
Marriage,	1
Burials—Adults, (not of the Congregation,)	2
Sunday School—No. of Scholars,	43
“ of Teachers,	7
Money collected for Assessment,	\$36

The state of this Parish is improving. There is an increased attendance on the services, and an increasing interest manifested in the concerns

of the Church. There are five or six candidates for Confirmation, awaiting the next visitation of the Bishop.

EDWIN GEER.

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH, SALISBURY.

Rev. Thomas F. Davis, Jr., Rector.

Baptisms—Adults 2, Infants 4,	6
Confirmations,	9
Communicants—removed 1, added 5, present number,	26
Burials,	3
Marriage,	1
Money collected for Assessment and Contingent Fund,	\$40

CHRIST CHURCH, ROWAN COUNTY.

Rev. Thomas F. Davis, Jr., Rector.

Baptisms—White, Infants 4, Colored, Infants 2, Adult 1,	7
Confirmations,	8
Communicants—Decrease by removal to St. Andrew's Church, 18, by Discipline, 1,	19
Added, White 5, Colored 2,	7
Present number, White 78, Col'd 14,	92
Money collected for Assessment and Contingent Fund,	\$30

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, ROWAN COUNTY.

Rev. Thomas F. Davis, Jr., Rector.

Baptisms—White Infants 7, Colored Adults 3,	10
Confirmations—White 6, Colored 3,	9
Communicants—White 27, Colored 2,	29
Money collected for Assessment and Contingent Fund,	\$10

MILLS'S SETTLEMENT.

Baptisms—White Infants 5, Colored 1,	6
Burial,	1
Communicants—decrease by death 1, present number	16
THOS. F. DAVIS, Jr.	

REPORT of Rev. William N. Hawks, Rector of Griffin School.

Baptisms—Adult 1, Children 6,	7
Burials,	2
Marriages,	3

WILLIAM N. HAWKS.

CHRIST CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY.

Rev. Jacob B. Morss, Minister.

Communicants—White, males 2, females 26,	28
Colored, male 1, females 3,	4
	— 32
Marriages—White,	3
Sunday School Scholars,	41
Money collected—Assessment, monthly collection, \$12 15	
Charitable purposes,	35 00
Vestry and repairs,	200 00

The present incumbent commenced his labours here on Sexagesima Sunday, February 14, last; since which time he has preached regularly on Sunday, and performed weekly services during Lent, and daily service during Passion Week. This Church has suffered much from removals of its members, but is well sustained by a handful of faithful friends who remain, and contribute liberally to its support, and attend its services punctually.

The Ladies have lately, with praiseworthy zeal, raised two hundred dollars for the purpose of building a Vestry Room; and a subscription paper is now in circulation among the male members of this flock, with a prospect of success, to build a Parsonage for their Minister.

JACOB B. MORSS.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EDENTON.

Rev. Samuel I. Johnston, Rector.

Baptisms,	106
Marriages,	4
Burials—3 Infants, 3 Adults,	6
Confirmations,	21
Communicants—died 1, removed 2, present number,	97
Collections for the Bishop's Fund,	\$200
Missionary Society,	100

SAMUEL I. JOHNSTON.

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, WINDSOR.

Rev. Jos. Blount Cheshire, Missionary.

Baptisms—Adult 6, Infant 14,	20
Confirmations,	11
Communicants,	18
Marriages,	2
Deaths,	2

During the past year, there has been a manifest increase of religious influence in this place, and, under the blessing of God, we may confi-

dently hope that the Church will take a permanent hold on the affections of this people, and be the means of guiding them into the way of all truth, in unity of the spirit and in righteousness of life.

MISSIONARY STATION, HALIFAX.

Baptisms—Adults 3, Infants 4,	7
Confirmations,	6

The few friends of the Church in this place have shown an attachment and zeal becoming the profession of the true Catholic faith, amidst a discordant mass of dissenting prejudice and opposition; but there is not a prospect of much increase for the future at this station.

TRINITY CHURCH, SCOTLAND NECK.

Baptisms—Adults 4, Infant 1,	5
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I am happy to say, that there is an anxiety for the ministrations of the Church beginning to show itself in this place, which betokens a spiritual revival of a Parish that had become almost extinct for the want of ministerial services. There are five or six candidates for Confirmation, and a prospect of that number being much increased.

JOS. BLOUNT CHESHIRE.

TRINITY PARISH.

Rev. Moses A. Curtis, Missionary.

Communicants—White 19, Colored 2,	21
Baptisms—White Infants,	6
Confirmation,	1

ST. JOHN'S PARISH.

Communicants—White 6, Colored 1,	7
Baptisms—Infants, 1 White, 3 Colored,	4
Confirmation,	1
Marriage,	1

ST. THOMAS'S CHURCH, BATH.

Communicants,	14
Baptism—Infant,	1
Death—1 Colored Communicant,	1

ZION CHAPEL.

Communicants,	18
Baptism—Infant,	1

During August and September, I preached on the Island of Portsmouth, and baptized two children.

M. ASHLEY CURTIS.

CHRIST CHURCH, ELIZABETH CITY.

Rev. Harvey Stanly, late Rector.

Baptisms—White Infants,	16
Marriages—White 1, Colored 2,	3
Burial—Adult, (a stranger,)	1
Communicants—died 1, present number,	39
Sunday School Scholars,	80
“ “ Teachers,	8

I resigned the charge of this Parish the first of last November, up to which time I have reported. Since then I have to report at

ST. THOMAS'S, CRAVEN COUNTY.—Funeral,	1
NEUBERN.—Baptisms, White Infant 1, Colored ditto 3,	4
Burial,	1

H. STANLY.

ST. JOHN'S IN THE WILDERNESS, HENDERSON COUNTY.

Rev. T. S. W. Mott, Rector.

No. of Families,	20
Communicants,	19
Baptisms—White, 1 Adult, 5 Infants, 1 Col'd Infant,	7
Funerals,	3

T. S. W. MOTT.

REPORT of Rev. Wm. M. Green, Professor of Rhetoric and Logic in the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

Baptisms—Infants 2, Adult 1,	3
Communicants,	15

Since the last Convention, two or three families belonging to the Church have moved to this place; so that there are now nearly thirty persons ready to be organized into a Congregation. A general desire is expressed for the establishment of the stated services of the Church, and one-fourth of the sum necessary for the erection of a House of Worship can with ease be obtained in the place. For the other three-fourths, the eyes of this little flock must be turned towards the several members and congregations of the Diocese. The appeal will be general, because it is believed that all parts of the Diocese are equally concerned. Under the present state of things, but little can be done toward the profitable instruction of the sons of the Church during their Collegiate course. For four of the most important years of their life they are cut off from the stated and peculiar lessons in which they were early trained. As an almost necessary consequence, they become indifferent to the high and holy claims of the Church, and too often lose all their religious impressions. This evil would be, for the most part, remedied, by affording them the opportunity of attending every Lord's Day on services to which they have been ac-

customed from their infancy, and of hearing those lessons of faith and piety which were first inculcated under the parental roof.

An appeal will ere long be made to the Diocese on this subject; and the hope is here confidently expressed that it will not be made in vain.

SALEM CHAPEL.

I have continued to officiate at this place monthly, during the past year; but generally to very small congregations, in consequence of bad weather.

Baptisms—Infants, 1 White, 2 Colored,	3
Communicants,	3

WM. M. GREEN.

REPORT of the Parish of St. Luke, with Lake Scuppernong and Plymouth.

Baptisms—Adults, White 10, Black 6,	16
Infants, White 17, Black 115,	132
	— 148
Funerals—White 5, Black 5,	10
Communicants—White, died 3, added 10. present No.	29
Black, died 2, added 6, present No.	29
	— 58

Collected for the Bishop's salary,	\$30
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15 Bibles and Testaments, 22 Prayer Books, and between 4 and 5000 pages of Tracts, have been distributed.

The present Missionary entered upon his duties at this Station on December 15th, 1840, the Rev. Mr. Forbes having at that time resigned his charge. The above Report, however, exhibits the state of the Parish during the whole Conventional year.

CHARLES ALDIS, *Missionary.*

The Annual Reports of the Treasurer of the Convention, were presented, and referred to the Committee on Finance.—[*See Appendix.*]

On motion, the Convention adjourned till to-morrow morning 9 o'clock.

At Night, Divine Service was performed by the Rev. Mr. Singeltary, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Backhouse, from the 1st Epistle General of Peter, 3d chapter and 21st verse.

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THURSDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

Convention met, pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers were read by the Bishop.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

A certificate of Delegation from St. Stephen's Church, Oxford, was presented and read, by which it appeared that Messrs. Wm. Eaton, John

C. Taylor, Russel Kingsbury, and Rhodes N. Herndon, were duly elected Delegates.

Dr. Frederick J. Hill, a Delegate from St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough, appeared and took his seat.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Singeltary, it was

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to inquire into the state of the Missionary operations of the Diocese, the means of sustaining and enlarging the same, and the expediency of a new organization of the method of conducting them.

The following constitute the Committee, viz: the Rt. Rev. Bishop, the Rev. Messrs. Singeltary and Buxton, and Messrs. Wright and F. J. Hill.

The Rt. Rev. Bishop read his Annual Address, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church, as follows:

BRETHREN OF THE CLERGY AND LAITY:

Since we last met in Convention, God, in his wise providence, has taken from us a brother, beloved; whose exemplary devotion and self-sacrifice in the cause of his Master, while they brought him to an early grave, have secured for him a place in the affectionate and grateful remembrance of the diocese; and we believe, a reward through Christ, of the faithful servant in heaven. While then we adore the mercy that has spared ourselves to assemble once more in Convention, let us not forget the lesson taught by this solemn providence, "to be also ready, as we know not the day nor the hour in which our Lord may come."—"Blessed is that servant, whom his Lord when he cometh shall find watching."

The following is the statement required by canon, of my official acts; and of the changes and other matters in the diocese, since the date of my last address.

May 16th, in St. Luke's Church, Salisbury, I confirmed *nine* persons.

17th, (Sunday,) ordained to the holy order of Deacons, John A. Backhouse, A. M., and delivered on the occasion the required address.

26th, preached at Halifax and confirmed *six* persons.

31st, (Sunday,) in St. Paul's, Edenton, preached twice, confirmed *eighteen* persons, administered the holy Communion, and examined children in Catechism.

June 6th, in the Chapel at Lake Scuppernong, preached and confirmed *seven* persons.

7th, (Sunday,) in Pettigrew's Chapel, preached, confirmed *four* persons, and administered the holy Communion.

9th, in St. Luke's, Locust Grove, preached, and confirmed *one* person.

10th, at Plymouth, preached, and confirmed *three* persons.

During the last of this month, I attended, in the City of New York, the meeting of the Missionary Board, and of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary of our Church; was present at the examination of the students of the Seminary, and at their Commencement, on which occasion, by previous appointment, I delivered the address.

The second week of July I passed in a gratifying visit to the Virginia

Theological Seminary, at Alexandria, D. C., attended the examination of the students, and their Commencement.

August 1st. While at the Virginia Springs, to which place I had gone for health, I had the satisfaction of forwarding to the Presiding Bishop of our Church, my consent to the consecration of a well beloved brother, the Rev. Wm. R. Whittingham, D. D., Professor in General Theological Seminary, to the Episcopate of Maryland.

22d and 23d, (Saturday and Sunday,) in Christ Church, Rowan county, preached, confirmed *nine* persons, and administered the holy Communion.

30th, (Sunday,) Consecrated to the worship of Almighty God, St. Andrew's Church, Rowan county, preached on the occasion, confirmed *eleven* persons, and administered holy Communion.

September 2d, preached in St. Luke's Church, Salisbury.

5th and 6th, (Saturday and Sunday,) at Lincolnton, preached *twice*, confirmed *three* persons, and administered the holy Communion. It gives me pleasure to be able to state to the Convention, that an arrangement is made, by which the services of one of our ablest missionaries are, for the ensuing year, secured to this place, in connexion with Morganton. Feeble health prevented me from extending my visitation beyond Lincoln county. Early in the Summer, however, I am, by Divine permission, to visit the mountain regions of the diocese.

13th, (Sunday,) I officiated in St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsboro', but from loss of voice, was able to do no more than make a short address, after confirming *three* persons.

16th. I attended, in Raleigh, a meeting of the Trustees of the Episcopal School, convened by me, under a resolution of the last Convention. At which meeting, George W. Mordecai, Esq. was appointed the agent, to dispose of so much of the Episcopal School property, as should be necessary to cancel the debts of the Institution.

20th, (Sunday,) in St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough, I preached, confirmed *eight* persons, administered the holy Communion, and heard the children in Catechism. I was not a little gratified to learn the success of the zealous efforts of the Rector here, to establish a daily morning and evening service; and to restore to his congregation something of the primitive spirit and practice. In this day of degeneracy, churchmen seem insensible to half their privileges;—so insensible as actually to be startled when these privileges are duly exhibited to their minds, as if some strange thing had been brought to light. Brethren, these things ought not so to be; churchmen should know their duty and their privileges better.

22d, preached at St. Mary's, Orange county, and confirmed *one* person.

24th, performed service and preached in Salem Chapel, on the plantation of Judge Cameron.

26th, preached in St. James's Church, Granville county, and confirmed *three* persons.

27th, (Sunday,) in St. Stephen's, Oxford, administered the holy Communion, being unable to preach. On Monday I baptised an infant.

29th and 30th, in St. John's, Williamsborough, administered the holy Communion and examined children in the Catechism.

October 4th, (Sunday,) in Emmanuel Church, Warrenton, preached, confirmed *three* persons, administered the holy Communion, and examined children in the Catechism.

5th, in Warren county, baptised one adult and four infants.

Nov. 8th, (Sunday,) I consecrated to the worship of Almighty God, *Calvary* Church, Tarborough; on which occasion I preached, confirmed *four* persons, and administered holy Communion. The following Wednesday performed the burial service.

15th, (Sunday,) Consecrated to the service of Almighty God, St. Thomas's Church, Windsor; when I preached, confirmed *eleven* persons, and administered the holy Communion.

The following week, Jacob B. Morss, a candidate for holy orders in this diocese, was ordained *Deacon*; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Moore, of Virginia, at my desire, kindly acting in my place.

22d. and Jan. 10th, (Sundays,) preached in St. Paul's, Edenton, and confirmed *two* persons. These persons were confirmed by special request, out of the time of regular visitation.

During the winter, while on a visit to my friend, Josiah Collins, Esq., I preached twice in Pettigrew's Chapel, and twice in the Chapel at the Lake, administering at both places the holy Communion. In addition, I prepared a catechism for the children of the slaves of the plantation; which was taught orally, to a class of some 50 or 60, between the ages of 5 and 12, by a young lady of the family, with surprising success—much better success indeed than is ever realized where a knowledge of the catechism is left to the attainment of the child by *study*. This experiment, in connexion with others, where the numbers have been less, encourages the belief, that, by the blessing of God, we shall soon succeed in imparting to this class of our population, a thorough and sanctifying knowledge of “the truth as it is in Jesus.”

Lest any should misapprehend the character and tendency of our efforts in this direction, I wish it distinctly understood, that every thing is conducted with a strict regard to the legal enactments on the subject, and under the constant supervision, in each case, of the *planter himself*. In reference also to our exertions hitherto, so far as we can discern it, we feel warranted in affirming it to be decidedly favorable to due *subordination*. Cases are not uncommon, in which slaves, who, under a system of mere excitements, had become puffed up with a vain conceit of their spiritual attainments, have, immediately upon a distinct and sober exhibition of Gospel truth being made to their minds, manifested a humbling sense of their ignorance, and a grateful desire to be taught more fully “the principles of the doctrine of Christ.” To the christian master, however, alive to his privileges and duties, no doubt can exist on this point. To him it is clear, that a knowledge of Christ crucified, in its fullness, is a blessing, which, by command of Almighty God, he is bound to communicate to every immortal being entrusted to his care; and hence a blessing which he cannot withhold without guilt and hazard to his soul.—He knows and feels that God's truth can hurt no man, nor institution of

men, established with the divine approbation ; and therefore that a more fearful condemnation could not be pronounced upon an institution than to say of it, that its interests are endangered by the light and privileges of the Gospel.

By request of the Presiding Bishop of our Church, I went to Savannah, Georgia, the last of February, and on the 28th of that month, 1st Sunday in Lent, united with my Rt. Rev. brethren, the Assistant Bishop of Virginia, and the Bishop of South Carolina, in consecrating to the Episcopate of Georgia, the Rev. Stephen Elliott, D. D., a Presbyterian of South Carolina. In the discharge of this duty I had peculiar pleasure, feeling, as I did, that it was to aid in giving to a sister diocese, hitherto destitute, a christian Bishop, who would prove a worthy and efficient instrument in the hands of God, in fostering and extending the interests of the church of the Redeemer, in that spiritually needy region.

March 28th, 29th and 30th, visited Elizabeth City. Preached twice on Sunday, 28th, in Christ Church, and administered the holy Communion. The parish having been destitute of a Clergyman for some months, and the present minister having just entered upon his duty, no candidates for Confirmation were sufficiently instructed and in other respects prepared for the holy ordinance.

April 1st, preached at Hertford, where the prospects of a congregation are encouraging.

4th, (Sunday,) preached at Harvey's Neck, confirmed *one* person, and administered the holy Communion. The congregation here, is mostly made up of colored persons from the plantations of Joseph B., Charles, and Edmund Skinner, Esqs., who are making praiseworthy efforts for the proper religious instruction of their slaves.

6th, visited the plantation of Joseph Skinner, Esq., where, through his zeal, a catechism has been successfully employed during the past winter, in communicating to the young slaves, the principles of the doctrine of Christ. Here I officiated to a colored congregation at night.

9th, (Good Friday,) I preached to the colored congregation at Lake Scuppernong, and administered the holy Communion.

11th, (Easter Sunday,) preached at St. Luke's, Locust Grove, and administered the Holy Communion. At night of the same day, preached at Plymouth.

13th, (Easter Tuesday,) preached in St. Thomas's, Bath.

14th, in St. John's, Durham's Creek, preached and confirmed *one* person.

16th, preached in Zion Chapel.

16th, at night, preached in St. Peter's Church, Washington ; and also, 18th, (Sunday,) preached twice and confirmed *twelve* persons. On Monday, 19th, examined the children in the catechism.

20th, preached in Trinity Church, Beaufort county, and confirmed *one* person.

21st, preached in St. Paul's parish, Swift Creek.

25th, in Christ Church, Newbern, preached twice, examined the children in the catechism, confirmed *five* persons, and administered the holy communion.

May 1st and 2d, (Saturday and Sunday,) preached three times, once to the colored congregation, in St. John's, Fayetteville, examined children in the catechism, confirmed *five* persons, and administered the holy communion.

I hoped to have been able, before the Convention, to visit Chapel Hill. The interests of the Church in the diocese, I am persuaded, would be greatly promoted, by suitable attention to that place. *Fifteen* communicants are reported by the Rev. Professor Green, as already having a residence there; while the sons of churchmen, at the University, (making a large proportion of the students,) are comparatively without the means of instruction in the Gospel as held by their fathers; all distinctive views being sedulously precluded from the teachings of the Chapel. Most cordially, therefore, and earnestly, would I second the appeal of the Rev. Professor, for aid in the erection there, of a suitable church.

It is a matter of regret to me, that the state of my health has, for part of the year, been such, as essentially to abridge my official labors.—Some of the parishes, it will be seen, have not, according to my usual practice, been visited. The number of confirmations, however, has not fallen below my last year's report; while the spiritual condition generally, of the diocese, seems to be improving. In one particular, that of *baptismal education*, a decided advance has been made. Much, however, remains to be done, to lead our children and youth to act up to their high privileges, as "members of Christ, children of God, and inheritors of the kingdom of heaven."

During the past conventional year, *one hundred and forty-four** have been confirmed; *three* Churches consecrated; *three* candidates for orders (Charles H. Disbrow, Wm. E. Snowden, and R. Y. Read,) been received; making the present number of candidates in the diocese, *eight*.—Two candidates, (John A. Backhouse and J. B. Morss,) have been admitted to the holy order of Deacons.

During the same period, the following changes have taken place:—The Rev. Philip B. Wiley, late minister of Calvary Church, Wadesborough, has been removed by death. The Rev. George W. Freeman, D. D., has resigned the rectorship of Christ Church, Raleigh, and taken letters to the Bishop of Virginia. The removal of this godly Presbyter, I regard as a serious loss to myself and diocese. He carries with him our confidence and earnest prayers. The Rev. Harvey Stanly has resigned the rectorship of Christ Church, Elizabeth City. The Rev. Moses A. Curtis has resigned the rectorship of St. Thomas's Church, St. John's Church, Trinity Church, and Zion Chapel, Beaufort county. The Rev. Edward M. Forbes has resigned the rectorship of St. Luke's Church, Locust Grove, Pettigrew's Chapel, and the colored congregation at Lake Scuppernong, and is about to remove to the congregations in Lincolnton and Morganton. The Rev. Henry H. Prout has resigned the rectorship of St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough, and is about to enter upon missionary labour. The Rev. Richard S. Mason, D. D., late President of New-ark College, has accepted the rectorship of Christ Church, Raleigh, and

*Number last year, abating 20 confirmed in Savannah, 105.

entered upon his duties. The Rev. Louis L. Noble, and the Rev. Chas. Aldis, have been received into the diocese by letters from the Bishop of New York, the former of whom is engaged in missionary duty at Hertford and Harvey's Neck, Perquimous county; the latter has taken charge of the congregations in Washington county, just relinquished by the Rev. Mr. Forbes. The Rev. Lewis Taylor has removed to Oxford, and taken charge of St. Stephen's Church in that place, in connexion with his former parish. The Rev. John A. Backhouse, ordained at the last Convention, has been engaged as the minister of Emmanuel Church, Warrenton. The Rev. Jacob B. Morss, ordained in November last, has become the minister of Christ Church, Elizabeth City.

There are now connected with the diocese, 25 clergymen; of whom, 22 are in active service. To this number *one* is expected to be added at this Convention, and *three* at the ensuing ember days; making at least *twelve* for the coming year, dependent, more or less, upon missionary aid. This number, however, must be increased by at least *two*, in order to meet the reasonable expectations of destitute parishes; to say nothing of four or five additional places now open to the efforts of the Church, where her friends are importunate in their appeals for her ministrations.

Brethren, furnish me with the pecuniary means, (and the demand shall not be burdensome,) and I promise you, by the help of God, that the blessings of the Church shall, before the present generation sleeps in the dust, gladden the hearts of every destitute settlement in the State. Contribute to this object the small sum of three dollars a year, for each communicant, and the eyes which now look upon you will see the work accomplished.

Frequent appeals, during the past year, have, by means of circulars, been made to us in behalf of the general charities of the Church; and some surprise and dissatisfaction evinced that we should have done so little in this way. Brethren, with all our home demands upon us, we might have done more; and we ought, perhaps, to take shame to ourselves that we have not; but our friends connected with these general institutions of the Church, should remember, that we are comparatively an infant diocese; and that at least a full share of missionary labour, considering our strength, is already imposed upon us by the calls of our own State. It is not intended, however, by this hint, to discourage applications from abroad, or to intimate that our duty in this behalf, is discharged; but to prevent those *exclamations*, which are sometimes thoughtlessly made in connexion with the small amount we give for objects out of the diocese, except as there shall be likewise a distinct recognition of what we do within it.

Brethren, permit me to renew the expression of my desire, that you will continue and increase your patronage to "The Banner of the Cross," the periodical which I have made the organ of my official communication with you. This periodical, although conducted with a single eye to "the doctrine and sacraments and discipline of Christ, as the Lord hath commanded, and as the holy Catholic Church hath received the same," has nevertheless kept clear of those ultra positions, and intemperate discussions, which are so lamentable in spirit, so destructive in ef-

fect, and yet so common in our day; and hence, in the opinion of your Bishop, it deserves of you a general and cordial support.

With the prayer, that God may preside over and bless us—keeping us in his holy fear and love, I give way to the deliberations of the Convention.

L. SILLIMAN IVES.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Thurston, it was

Resolved unanimously, That this Convention views with feelings of unmingled grief, the afflictive dispensation of Divine Providence, that has removed from the scene of his earthly labors, our beloved brother in the Ministry, the Rev. Philip B. Wiley.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Convention be instructed to forward a copy of the above resolution to the widow of the deceased, accompanied by the assurance of the warmest sympathy of this Convention, under this severe stroke of affliction.

The Rev. Mr. Buxton, from the Committee appointed on the subject of provision for disabled Clergymen, and widows and children of deceased Clergymen, submitted a report and resolutions, which, having been read, were made the special order for to-morrow morning.

Adjourned till 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Morning Service was read by the Rev. Mr. Lyman, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Aldis, from the 10th chapter and 31st verse of St. Paul's 1st Epistle to the Corinthians.

4 O'CLOCK.

The Rev. Mr. Singeltary, from the Committee on the subject of the Episcopal School Buildings, reported as follows:

REPORT of the Committee on the Episcopal School.

The Committee upon the Episcopal School have examined the matters appertaining to the property and liabilities of the same, and report: That under the resolutions of the last Convention, the Trustees of the School appointed an Agent to effect a sale of the property; that said Agent, deeming himself not authorized to sell at auction, advertised the land and improvements to be sold at private sale, but received no offers to purchase: He reports that the buildings are suffering by neglect, and that the rents pay only a fraction of the accruing interest upon the debts owed by the School. While the debts are increasing by the accumulation of interest, amounting to \$800 or \$900 a year, the property is decreasing in value: At the same time, some of the creditors are complaining of the delay, and large arrears are due upon the Bishop's salary. Under these circumstances, the Committee think that effectual measures should be taken for the sale of the property, and for that purpose recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, That John H. Bryan and Wm. H. Haywood, Jr. Esquires, be appointed Agents to sell the land and buildings of the Episcopal School:

that they advertise the same to be sold at public auction, on some day before the first of January next; that the terms of sale be. for cash, to an amount sufficient to pay the debt due for the original purchase of the land of the late Col. Polk, and the arrears of interest due upon the loan of the Episcopal Fund, and the expenses and commissions of sale; that upon the residue of the purchase money they give a credit of one, two, three and four years, with interest from the date of the sale, the purchaser giving satisfactory security, and paying the interest annually.

Resolved, however, That the property herewith directed to be sold, shall be offered at private sale by the said Agents, until the first day of October next; and said Agents are hereby authorized to sell at private sale for such price as they may think proper, the payments to be made as provided for in the above resolutions for sale at auction.

Resolved, That the said Agents are hereby authorized to require the Trustees of the School, and all other persons holding in trust for the Convention, to execute all proper deeds and writings, to make effectual title to the purchaser, approved by said Agents.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. SINGELTARY, *Chairman.*

After discussion, the Report was laid on the table.

A Certificate of Lay Delegation from St. Peter's Church, Washington, was presented, the Delegates appointed being Dr. D. C. Freeman, and Messrs. James E. Hoyt, Thomas A. Demill, and Benj'n Runyon; of whom Dr. Freeman and Mr. Hoyt appeared and took their seats.

Mr. Wright offered the following resolution, which was considered and rejected, viz:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to consider and report whether any, and if any, what change it is expedient to recommend in locating the future Conventions of the Diocese.

The Rev. Mr. Johnston moved that the next Annual Convention be held in St. Paul's Church, Edenton. The question being taken, it was decided in the negative.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Taylor, it was

Resolved, That the next Annual Convention be held in St. Stephen's Church, Oxford, on the 3d Wednesday of May, 1842.

Convention adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

At Night, Divine Service was performed by the Rev. Mr. McRae, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Buxton, from the 22d verse of the 5th chapter of the Epistle to the Galatians.



FRIDAY MORNING, 9 O'CLOCK.

Prayers were read by the Bishop.

The Minutes of yesterday's proceedings were read and approved.

A Certificate of Lay Delegation from Trinity Church, Scotland Neck,

—Frederick S. Marshall, Delegate;—and another from St. Matthew's Church, Hillsborough—George W. Burgwyn, Delegate,—were presented and read, and Mr. Marshall and Mr. Burgwyn appeared and took their seats.

Mr. Spruill, from the Committee on Finance, submitted the following report, which was read and adopted, viz:

REPORT of the Committee of Finance.

The Committee of Finance, to whom was referred the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer, report, that they have examined the same and find them correct.

Of the Missionary fund, they find there is in the hands of the Treasurer, \$590 23.

The fund for the Episcopate, consisting of cash \$320; eleven shares of Stock of the Bank of Cape Fear, cost \$998, and loan to Episcopal School of \$7,400, amounts to \$8,718.

In the general fund of the Diocese, from which the annual expenses are to be paid, including the Bishop's salary, it appears that the payments made towards the Bishop's salary and for the contingent expenses of the Convention, exceed the receipts applicable to these purposes, \$344 26. In addition to this, a balance will be due to the Bishop for salary, on 1st inst. of \$850; making a deficiency in the fund provided to meet the engagements of the Convention, of \$1,194 26. This deficiency has arisen from the inability of the Episcopal School to pay the interest on the fund loaned to them. During the year \$240 has been received in part of this interest, leaving a balance on 1st of May of \$1,190 67. To meet this deficiency, the Committee recommend that the Episcopal School property be sold, at as early a day as to the Convention may seem proper.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following scale of assessments, it being the same as that adopted last year—[*See Appendix.*] And they beg leave to suggest to the vestries of the several congregations, the necessity of punctuality in the collection and transmission of the amounts due from their respective congregations.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE E. SPRUILL, *Chairman.*

The report and resolutions in relation to provision for disabled Clergymen, and the widows and children of deceased Clergymen, which had been made the special order for this morning, were taken up, amended, and recommitted to the Committee.

The Rev. Mr. Green, Chairman of the Standing Committee, submitted the following report, which, on motion, was accepted, viz:

REPORT of the Standing Committee.

Since the last Convention, the Committee have admitted Robert Y. Read as a candidate for Orders—have recommended Jacob B. Morss, C. B. Walker, Charles H. Disbrow, William E. Snowden, and William B.

Otis, for Deacon's Orders; and also the Rev. Louis L. Noble, Rev. Edwin Geer, Rev. Joseph B. Cheshire, and Rev. John A. Backhouse, for Priest's Orders. They have also given their consent to the consecration of the Rev. Wm. R. Whittingham, D. D., and the Rev. Stephen Elliott, Jr., D. D.

The Rev. George W. Freeman, D. D., having removed from the Diocese, his place in the Committee was filled by the election of the Rev. Richard S. Mason, D. D.

In the departure of the Rev. Dr. Freeman, the Committee feel that they have lost from their councils, one with whom it was always both pleasant and profitable to associate. Their best wishes, and warm affection, follow him to his new abode.

W. M. GREEN, *President.*

Wilmington, May 6, 1841.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock.

Divine Service was performed by the Rev. Mr. Hawks, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Johnston, from the 9th chapter of the Gospel according to St. Matthew, latter clause of the 13th verse.

3 O'CLOCK.

The Rev. Mr. Buxton, from the Committee to whom had been recommended the report on the subject of provision for disabled Clergymen, &c., submitted the following Report and Resolutions, which were read and adopted, viz:

REPORT of the Committee on Provision for Destitute Clergymen.

The Committee to whom was referred for consideration, the subject of a resolution touching the creating a fund for the relief of disabled Clergymen, and also of the widows and orphans of such Clergymen, as dying within the Diocese, may have left their families in necessitous circumstances, beg leave to report: That, while but one sentiment can be entertained within the Church, either as to the expediency of some provisionary measure of the kind, or as to the obvious christian duty involved in the case, much difference of opinion may reasonably be expected as to the best mode of combining and directing to this end, the benevolent feelings and actions of the Church. Your Committee have had before them sundry plans for securing this end; some of which have been adopted in several of the States, and acted on with various success. Waiving, at this time, any discussion of the respective merits of these plans, your Committee suggest that a special Committee be annually appointed, to superintend this concern. They therefore recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, That there be a Committee appointed at this and at each succeeding Convention, consisting of the Bishop, who shall be ex-officio Chairman, and also one Presbyter and one Layman, both residing at Raleigh.

Resolved, That the Committee hereby appointed, shall be called "the Committee for the relief of disabled Clergymen, and of the Widows and Orphans of deceased Clergymen;" and that it be their duty to apply any moneys raised under these resolutions, to the relief of such disabled Clergymen, and to the relief of such widows and orphans of deceased Clergymen, as they may deem proper objects for the assistance.

Resolved, That it be the duty of said Committee, to ascertain the amount of money which will probably be wanted in each succeeding year for these purposes, and to report to each Clergyman the respective cases, and also the amount which will be needed from their respective Cures. It being understood that these amounts are to be estimated by the ratio of the present assessment. Provided, nevertheless, that in event of there being no proper objects, there shall be no call made.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the Convention be the Treasurer of this Committee, that he receive all moneys contributed to this object and pay out the same on the warrant of the Chairman of the Committee.

Resolved, That it is hereby declared to be within the duty of the Parochial Clergy, to urge these claims, when they exist, on their respective Cures—to collect funds, and to transmit them to the Treasurer of the Convention.

Resolved, That it be the duty of the Committee to report their annual proceedings in detail, at each and every Convention.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JARVIS B. BUXTON, *Chairman*.

On motion of Mr. H. A. London, the Rev. Dr. Mason, and Dr. John Beckwith, were appointed, in conjunction with the Right Rev. Bishop, to compose the Committee provided for in the above resolutions, for the ensuing year.

The Rev. Mr. Green, from the Committee on the State of the Church, submitted the following Report, which was read and received, viz:

REPORT of the Committee on the state of the Church.

It is with much thankfulness of heart, that this Committee now lays before the Convention, a summary view of the present condition of the Diocese.

Upon a careful examination of the Reports from the several Parishes and Missionary Stations, together with the Journal of the Bishop, it appears that the rite of baptism has been administered to 485 infants, and 59 adults, (more than double the number reported last year,)—that 128 have been confirmed—that the number of communicants is 1304—and that the collections for the Missionary and other purposes of the Diocese, are larger than those of any preceding year.

Although the numbers do not exhibit a very great increase, above the reports of the last Convention, yet is there much in the general condition of the Diocese, to encourage us to renewed exertion.

Of the 21 Clergymen entitled to seats in the Convention, all are present except one, who is detained at home, by sickness in his family.—

Reports have been received from *every* Parish, and *every* occupied Missionary station, making 35 in all. This fact, of itself, bespeaks an awakened zeal on the part of many who have hitherto neglected this duty, though positively enjoined by Canon.

There are at this time 25 Clergymen in the Diocese, and 8 candidates for Orders. Two Deacons have been ordained within the year, and three Churches consecrated.

Your Committee regrets to find that out of the whole number of Parishes, only three have reported the number of Sunday Scholars. It is hoped that in the good work of training the young of their charge, (and especially the children of the poor,) there is no relaxation on the part of the Parochial Clergy, and those who have hitherto so zealously aided them in this labor of love.

It is gratifying to perceive that increased attention has been paid to the colored portion of our population. An unusual number of that class, have this year been received into the Church by baptism; and an increased efficiency has been given to the modes of instruction heretofore so successfully used for their benefit.

In looking over the Diocese, your Committee can see nothing to restrain their thankful feelings, unless it be the condition of the property lately used as the Episcopal School. They cannot bring themselves to believe for a moment, that the intelligent and zealous Laity of this Diocese, will eventually permit that property—the *property of the Church of God*—to be alienated from the holy purposes for which it was intended.

The Missionary operations of the Diocese have been conducted with encouraging success. Nothing, under God, seems to be wanting to the spread of the Church through every part of this State, but means for the comfortable support of the necessary number of Missionaries. That this want will be duly supplied, the past liberality of our brethren leaves no room for doubt.

W. M. GREEN, *President*.

The Rev. Mr. Buxton, Secretary and Agent of the Missionary Committee, submitted the following Annual Report, which was read and received, viz:

REPORT of the Missionary Committee.

The Missionary Committee, respectfully report to the Convention, the continued prosperity of this department of the Church. The extent of its operation is limited only by the means which the Church has put under their control; and they have learned from observation on what is passing around, that it is neither wise nor safe to exceed these limitations.—The Committee, however, await with expectation, the period when a deeper and more effective sense of the Missionary responsibility, shall prevail within our communion—when the hearts of all shall be found in better proportion and consistency with the ability which God hath given.

The congregations which have been aided in the support of their Ministers the past year, are those of Rowan; St. Bartholomew's, Pittsboro';

St. James's, Granville; Calvary Church, Wadesborough; the station at Halifax; St. Stephen's, Windsor; the congregations of Beaufort county; Hertford, in Perquimons, and Harvey's Neck.

The Committee have supplied all demands for Bibles, Prayer Books and Tracts.

The funds which have been placed under the control of the Committee, including the collections under the special agency, amount to \$1621 53. Of this sum, \$700 have been appropriated in discharge of dues, prior to the last Convention; \$250 for services the last year; \$81 30 for Prayer Books; leaving a balance on hand of \$590 23. The appropriations made by the Committee for the present year, amount to \$1,250; to meet which, the sum of \$409 77, will be required from the receipts at the present Convention.

The Committee, under this head, gratefully acknowledge the very generous and seasonable contributions made by the congregations, under the special agency of the Rev. Mr. Forbes, and also their indebtedness to this gentleman for the services he so promptly and effectively rendered. These contributions are as follows: Edenton \$60; Washington \$73 45; Wilmington \$115 50; Fayetteville \$209 22; Raleigh \$101 61½; Newbern \$102 65; scattering \$5. The whole sum collected amounts to \$667 42½, at an expense to the fund of \$54 60, leaving \$612 83 available to the Committee.

JARVIS B. BUXTON, *Chairman.*

The Convention proceeded to the consideration of the report and resolutions from the Committee on the Episcopal School; and they were adopted.

On motion, John W. Wright, Esq. was unanimously re-elected Treasurer of the Convention, for the ensuing year.

On motion, the Convention balloted for the Missionary Committee for the ensuing year, when the Rev. Mr. Buxton and the Rev. Dr. Mason, and Messrs. John W. Wright, C. T. Haigh, and Edward L. Winslow, were elected.

On motion of Dr. Cameron, a Committee was appointed to examine the Journal of the General Convention, and report whether there be any subject contained therein, requiring the action of this Convention.

The Rev. Mr. McRae, and Dr. Cameron and Mr. Lippitt, were appointed to compose the Committee.

Such Clergymen as were absent from the sessions of the last Annual Convention, were called upon to state the causes of such absence, which having been done to the satisfaction of the Convention, they were severally excused.

The Convention adjourned till to-morrow morning, 9 o'clock.

At Night, Divine Service was performed by the Rev. Mr. Aldis, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Lyman, from the 1st Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians, 13th chapter and 1st verse.

SATURDAY, 9 O'CLOCK.

Convention met. Prayer was read by the Bishop.

The Journal of yesterday was read and approved.

The Committee on the subject of the Diocesan Library presented the following report, which was read and adopted, viz:

REPORT of the Committee on the Diocesan Library.

The Committee on the Diocesan Library, respectfully report: That said Library, comprising but few volumes, and some of them of but little standard value, affords but few of the advantages which are indicated by its name, and which were contemplated by the original donor.

The importance of large and well selected Libraries for the Clergy, is doubtless too well appreciated to need illustration or proof. But as it is wholly beyond the means of our Clergy to procure adequate private Libraries, it would seem advisable to concentrate all their means upon some one Library, to which all may have access. Many of the most important works in Theology and History, are so costly, that few, if any, of our Clergy, can ever procure them for their individual use. The topics embraced in the wide range of Biblical Literature, are so numerous, and so extensively illustrated by modern research, that few of the Clergy, any where, are able to supply themselves with apparatus sufficient for a thorough investigation of a single one of them.

The gradual and regular increase of the Diocesan Library, therefore, seems to be the best and the only feasible plan, for affording the Clergy of the Diocese, more extensive means of reading and reference, than they at present possess, or are ever likely to attain. By this arrangement they can so economize their resources, and bring them to bear upon one point, that the greatest benefits and facilities of investigation, may be secured to the whole.

It may confidently be expected, that, if the Clergy exhibit a due interest and activity in the subject, our intelligent Laity will give valuable assistance, by occasional donations of money and books.

The Committee, therefore, respectfully submit to the Convention, the following plan for effecting the object above suggested.

Resolved. That the Theological, Biblical, and Historical works belonging to the Library of the Episcopal School, be deposited in the Diocesan Library.

Resolved, That it be recommended to every Clergyman, to procure annually, the sum of at least five dollars, in money or books, for the increase of said Library.

Resolved, That the Library be under the control of the Bishop and Standing Committee, who may determine its location; that the Bishop appoint the Librarian, and appropriate the funds for the increase and preservation of the same.

Resolved, That each Clergyman may draw from the Library, at one time, not more than five volumes, and retain them not longer than three

months; that those retaining books longer than the time specified, without reasonable excuse, shall pay to the funds of the Library, one dollar for every month they are so retained.

Resolved, That at each annual Convention of the Diocese, the Librarian furnish the Clergy with a catalogue of the Books belonging to the Library; also, that each Clergyman present the Librarian with a list of the Books in his own, or in his Parish Library, so that unnecessary duplicates may not be purchased, and that each may know where to apply for any needed set of books.

Convention proceeded to elect, by ballot, four Clergymen and four Laymen, as Delegates to the next General Convention of the Church in the United States. Whereupon, the Rev. Messrs. John Singeltary, Jarvis B. Buxton, Samuel I. Johnston, and Richard S. Mason, D. D.; and the Hon. Thomas Ruffin, Messrs. Wm. C. Lord, Josiah Collins, and George E. Spruill, were duly elected.

Adjourned till 3 o'clock this afternoon.

Divine Service was performed by the Rev. Mr. Singeltary, and an Address delivered by the Rev. Dr. May, Agent of the Board of Foreign Missions, on the subject of his Agency.

3 O'CLOCK.

The Rev. Mr. Singeltary, from the Committee on the State of the Missionary operations of the Diocese, presented the following report, which was read and accepted, viz:

REPORT of the Committee on the State of the Missionary Operations.

The Committee appointed to enquire into the state of the Missionary operations of the Diocese, the means of sustaining and enlarging the same, and the expediency of a new organization of the method of conducting them, report: That the Missionary Committee constituted under the resolution of the Convention of 1826, requires no new organization for the purpose of carrying into effect the objects for which it has been created. Upon examination into the condition of the stations heretofore established by the Bishop, and proposed to be established by him, the Committee have estimated that the sum of one thousand six hundred dollars will be required for the support of the Missionaries necessary to occupy the above stations, for the ensuing year. If the several congregations will pay towards the Missionary fund, a sum equal to that assessed upon them for the support of the Episcopate, the required amount will be raised.—It is accordingly recommended to the Clergy, that they endeavor to raise in their several congregations, the sums aforesaid, to be paid to the Treasurer of the Convention, for the use of the Missionaries. As, however, many of the Missionary stations can hardly be calculated upon in this matter, the Churches which are able should increase their contributions to an amount exceeding that assessed for the support of the Episcopate

The Committee have understood, that the Missionary Board have prescribed a rule, which restricts their maximum contribution to two hundred dollars to any one Missionary, unless in very extraordinary cases, and that this largest allowance is made only to those Missionaries whose congregations contribute only three hundred dollars or under.

As some of our Missionaries are bachelors and some are married men, the rule does not appear to be an expedient one, and must operate to exclude from the Missionary stations of the Diocese, all married men.

The Committee therefore beg leave to recommend, that the Convention prescribe to the Missionary Board, some general rule for the graduation of the contributions to the Missionaries, or direct them to enlarge, in all cases, the allowances made to Missionaries who are married men.

The Committee also understand that there will be no moneys for Missionary purposes, in the hands of the Treasurer, after paying the sums now due for appropriations already made. They therefore recommend that the congregations remit to the Treasurer a portion of their contributions before Christmas next.

J. SINGELTARY, *Chairman.*

On motion of Dr. Freeman, it was

Resolved, That the Missionary Committee be instructed to make an additional allowance, at their discretion, to such Missionaries as have families.

On motion of Mr. Spruill, it was

Resolved, That the Treasurer of this Diocese be directed to pay, at the next Annual Convention, the sum of fifty dollars to each Clerical Delegate who shall have attended the General Convention from this Diocese.

On motion of Mr. Spruill, it was

Resolved, That if any of the Clerical or Lay Delegates to the General Convention should be unable to attend, they are hereby requested to give notice thereof to the Bishop of the Diocese, at least one month before the meeting of the General Convention; that thereupon the Bishop be authorized to fill such vacancy.

On motion of Mr. Lippitt,

Resolved, That the Secretary procure the printed copies of the Journals and Canons of the General Convention, and cause the same to be bound; and that he also cause to be bound printed copies of the Journals and Canons of this Convention; and that the same be produced at each meeting of this Convention, for the use of the members.

The Convention proceeded to elect Trustees of the Episcopal School, to fill the vacancies occurring by the expiration of the terms of the 1st Class; and the Rev. Messrs. Green and Singeltary, and Messrs. Spruill and Haywood, were duly elected. The Rev. Dr. Mason was also elected to fill the vacancy in the 2d Class, occasioned by the resignation of the Rev. Dr. Freeman.

The Rev. Robert B. Drane was nominated and elected a Trustee of the General Theological Seminary, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the removal of the Rev. Dr. Freeman.

The Convention adjourned till 6 o'clock on Monday morning.

At Night, Divine Service was read by the Rev. Mr. Cheshire, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. Dr. Mason, from 5th ch. 1st Thessalonians, 19th v. After which, the holy rite of Confirmation was administered to 24 persons, of whom 19 were white and 5 coloured.

On Sunday morning, an Ordination was held, on which occasion the Morning Prayer was conducted by the Rev. Professor Green, assisted by the Rev. John Singeltary, who read the Lessons. A Charge to the Clergy, with Address to the Candidates, was then delivered by the Bishop, on the *relative duties of Ministers and People*. The Candidate for Deacon's Orders, Charles Bruce Walker, was presented by the Rev. Robert B. Drane; the Candidates for Priest's Orders, Rev. Joseph Blount Cheshire, Rev. Edwin Geer, and Rev. John Backhouse, were presented by the Rev. T. F. Davis. After the Ordination, the Holy Communion was administered by the Bishop to the Clergy; and by the Rev. Dr. Mason, the Rev. Professor Green, the Rev. William N. Hawks, and the Rev. Jarvis B. Buxton, to about two hundred of the Laity.

In the Afternoon, Service was performed by the Rev. Mr. Morss, and a Sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Walker, from the 4th chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to the Phillippians, 13th verse.

At Night, Service was read by the Rev. Mr. Forbes, and a Missionary Sermon preached by the Rev. Mr. Curtis, from the 10th chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to the Romans, 15th and 17th verses. A collection, in aid of the Missionary Fund of the Diocese, was then made, and amounted to \$193 81.

After these services, the Holy Rite of Confirmation was administered to one person.



MONDAY MORNING, MAY 10.

Convention met, pursuant to adjournment.

Prayers by the Bishop.

The Minutes of Saturday were read and approved.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Curtis, the Bishop was requested to prepare for publication, at his convenience, the Charge delivered by him yesterday, on the occasion of the Ordination; and that 1000 copies thereof be printed for distribution.

On motion of the Rev. Mr. Buxton,

Resolved, That the Treasurer be authorized to forward to the Secretary of the General Convention, the quota of expense pertaining to this Diocese.

A motion being made and seconded, that the Convention do now adjourn *sine die*, the members united in the usual acts of praise and devotion, after which the Convention was declared to be adjourned.

E. J. HALE, *Secretary*.

APPENDIX.



SCALE OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE ENSUING YEAR.

St. James's Church, Wilmington,	-	\$210
St. John's Church, Fayetteville,	- -	210
Christ Church, Newbern,	- - -	210
Christ Church, Raleigh,	- - -	195
St. Paul's Church, Edenton,	- - -	195
St. Matthew's and St. Mary's Churches, Orange,		60
St. Peter's Church, Washington,	- -	60
Christ Church, Elizabeth City,	- -	60
St. Luke's Church, Salisbury,	- -	40
Christ Church, Rowan,	- - -	30
St. Andrew's Church, Rowan,	- - -	10
Emmanuel Church, Warrenton,	- - -	36
St. John's Church, Williamsborough,	- -	30
St. Stephen's Church, Oxford,	- - -	36
Trinity Church, Scotland Neck,	- - -	36
Calvary Church, Wadesborough,	- - -	36
St. Bartholomew's Church, Pittsborough,	-	50
St. John's in the Wilderness, Henderson County,		36
Trinity Chapel, Beaufort,	- - -	24
St. Thomas's, Bath,	- - -	24
St. Thomas's, Craven,	- - -	15
Zion Chapel, Beaufort,	- - -	12
Calvary Church, Tarborough,	- - -	25
St. Paul's Church, Swift Creek,	- - -	15
Congregation at Hertford,	- - -	20
Missionary Station, Washington County,	-	30
St. James's, Granville County,	- -	10

 \$1,715

REPORT of the Treasurer.

FAYETTEVILLE, April 30, 1841.

The undersigned submits to the Convention the usual exhibits of receipts and disbursements of funds, coming into his hands as Treasurer, during the past year.

From the annexed accounts of the Diocese of North Carolina, it will be seen that the payments made towards the Bishop's salary, and for the Contingent expenses of the Convention, exceed the receipts applicable to these purposes \$344 26. In addition to this, a balance will be due to the Bishop for salary, on the first day of May, of \$850; making a deficiency in the fund provided, to meet the engagements of the Convention, of \$1,194 26. This deficiency has arisen from the inability of the Episcopal School to pay the interest on the fund loaned to them. During the year, \$240 has been received, in part of this interest, leaving a balance due on 1st May of \$1,190 67.

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. WRIGHT, *Treasurer.*

with the Treasurer of the Convention.

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1840,			
May 10.	By cash from Rev. R. B. Drane, Assessment from St. James's Church, Wilmington,	\$225 00	
30.	By cash from Rev. Mr. Forbes, Assessment from Missionary Station, Washington County,	30 00	
	By cash from Rev. Mr. McRae, Assessment from Christ Church, Newbern,	210 00	
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Freeman, Assessment from Christ Church, Raleigh,	195 00	
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Prout, Assessment from St. Matthew's and St. Mary's, Orange,	60 00	
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Singeltary, Assessment from St. Peter's Church, Washington,	60 00	
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Davis, Assessment from St. Luke's Church, Salisbury,	40 00	
	By cash from ditto, Assessment from Christ Church, Rowan,	40 00	
	By cash from Bishop Ives, Assessment from St. John's in the Wilderness,	36 00	
	By cash from W. E. Troy, Assessment from Calvary Church, Wadesborough,	36 00	
	By cash from J. W. Wright, Assessment from St. John's Church, Fayetteville,	210 00	
Oct. 12.	By cash for dividend of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on 11 shares of Stock of the Bank of Cape Fear,	27 50	
Nov. 13.	By cash from Rev. Mr. Curtis, Assessment from Trinity Chapel, Beaufort,	24 00	
1841, Jany. 13.	By cash for dividend of 3 per cent. on 11 shares of Stock of the Bank of Cape Fear,	33 00	
Mar. 20.	By cash from G. W. Mordecai, Agent, in part of interest due by the Episcopal School on loan from Episcopal Fund,	240 00	
" 26.	By cash from E. B. Freeman, Assessment from Christ Church, Tarborough,	20 00	
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Johnston, Assessment from St. Paul's Church, Edenton,	200 00	
April 30.	By cash for balance of interest on funds in Treasurer's hands,	18 17	
		1,704 67	
	New account for balance,	344 26	
		\$2,048 93	

J. W. WRIGHT, *Treasurer.*

Fayetteville, April 30, 1841.

the Treasurer of the Convention.

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1840,		
May 7.	By balance on hand per statement to Convention of 1840,	\$792 09
10.	By cash from Rev. Mr. Drane, contribution from St. James's Church, Wilmington,	75 00
30.	By cash from Rev. Mr. McRae, contribution from Christ Church, Newbern,	60 00
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Freeman, contribution from Christ Church, Raleigh,	112 00
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Freeman, for sales of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works,	9 00
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Freeman, for sales of Bibles and Prayer Books,	7 20
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Singeltary, contribution from St. Peter's Church, Warrenton,	49 50
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Singeltary, for copy of Bishop Ravenscroft's Works,	5 00
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Davis, for collection at Convention of 1840,	42 07
	By cash from Rev. Mr. Johnston, contribution from St. Paul's Church, Edenton,	50 00
1841,		
Feb. 10.	By cash from Rev. Mr. Forbes, Special Agent for collections,	419 67
		<u>\$1,621 53</u>

with the Treasurer of the Convention.

C.R.

1840,		
May 7.	By cash and securities on hand, reported to Convention of 1840,	
	viz: Cash,	\$320 30
	Securities: Eleven shares Cape Fear Bank Stock, cost	998 00
	Loan to the Episcopal School, per receipt,	7,400 00
		<u>\$8,718 30</u>

JOHN W. WRIGHT, *Treasurer.**Fayetteville, April 30, 1841.*

STANDING COMMITTEE FOR 1841-2.

The Rev. WM. M. GREEN.
 The Rev. JARVIS B. BUXTON.
 The Rev. RICHARD S. MASON, D. D.
 CHARLES MANLY.
 EDMUND B. FREEMAN.

MISSIONARY COMMITTEE.

Rev. JARVIS B. BUXTON.
 Rev. RICHARD S. MASON.
 JOHN W. WRIGHT.
 CHARLES T. HAIGH.
 EDWARD L. WINSLOW.

COMMITTEE FOR THE RELIEF OF DISABLED CLERGYMEN, AND
THE WIDOWS AND ORPHANS OF DECEASED CLERGYMEN.

Rt. Rev. Bishop IVES.
 Rev. RICHARD S. MASON, D. D.
 Dr. JOHN BECKWITH.

DELEGATES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION.

CLERICAL.

LAY.

Rev. JOHN SINGELTARY.	Hon. THOMAS RUFFIN.
Rev. JARVIS B. BUXTON.	WILLIAM C. LORD.
Rev. SAMUEL I. JOHNSTON.	GEORGE E. SPRUILL.
Rev. RICHARD S. MASON, D. D.	JOSIAH COLLINS.

Treasurer of the Convention, J. W. WRIGHT, residing at Fayetteville.
 Secretary of the Convention, EDWARD J. HALE, ditto.

The next Annual Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Diocese of North Carolina, will be held in St. Stephen's Church, Oxford, on the 3d Wednesday in May, 1842.
